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Between 28 August and 17 October 1954, Soviet naval vessels were seen in the Baltic Sea. The following details were obtained:

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Date	Time	Position	Class	(Abe	Course	Speed	FORES
28 August	1730	approach Swin- oujscie West, approach buoy 4 b	submarine ii chaser	RONSHTADT	330°	15	Bridge occupied to capacity by personnel wearing white caps.
2 September	1515	buoy 14, channel 1	torpedo- recovery vessel		east	18-20	Came from direction Mostock and turned in to channel 55; 8 officers with army uniformisat on the quarter- deck; vessel was seen from a dis- tance of 100 meters.
28 September	?	near Naissaar/ Gulf of Finland	minesweepers	?	-	-	The vessels cruised in the area of Naissaar as if in search of something (aic).
5 October	1520- 1710 CET	N 59-33, E 23-50	destroyer	SKOBYY	-		The destroyer was on northeast course at 1520 and altered course to south— southeast at 1525; at 1530, it threw out black smoke and increased speed up to at least 20 knots; 1535, altered course to northeast, and at 1545 to south; at 1700, after several alterations of course, was at position 159-40, E 23-50, and steered on northeast course; at 1710, destroyer altered to southwest course.
5.October	1600- 1700 CET	N 59-40, E 23-50 toward 120°	cruiser	SVERDLOV	-	- -	altered to south—southwest at 1630, to south at 1650, and at 1700, to west; at 1710, the cruiser and destroyer 29 were on the same degree of longitude; the cruiser was about 9 see miles south of the destroyer.
6 October	1230	area of Porkkala	landing craft	?	Tallinn	6-7	Approx.40 to 45 meters long; stem heavily inclined; no superstructures and armament on ship's sides; a flat bridge aft with short pole mast with yard; vessel 356 mounted a small, about 20 mm, automatic gun on a

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					· ;		other ships did not have armament or gunhouse; a plain, square stern shortly aft of bridge; the craft rode high above water and seemed to be empty; they came from the direction of Porkkala.
9 October	?	N 58-25, € 20-1	destroyers torpedo boats ?	? ?	335°	15	Unit consisted of 3 destroyers and 3 torpedo boats; destroyer 16 and the 2 others were of same type; length about 120 meters, inclined stem, short foc'sle, with gun turret; aft of foc'sle, extending from bridge, another turret; flat staged bridge superstructures; trailing edge of bridge, a pole mast with search-light mount; deck aft of bridge center sloping; two stacks with inclined cape; small space between first stack and bridge second stack above the superstructures on deck; undetermined flat superstructures between first and second stack; pole mast forward of second stack; low deck superstructures between second stack and island; 1 turret on island and another on deck aft of island; short quarterdeck ending in a square stern. Torpedo boat 31 and the two others were of the same type; length about 90 meters, slightly inclined stem; short foc'sle with a gun and shield; box bridge with range finder; at trailing edge of bridge, pole mast braced to funnel; 2 funnels, the first close to the bridge, the second above deck superstructures; between funnels, a torpedo mounting; 2 guns with shield arranged 1 behind the other on the quarterdeck; the quarterdeck ended in a square deck; deck aft trailing edge of bridge sloping aft.

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	9 October	1800 CET	N 58-40, E 21-20		destroyers?	•	toward	9	Same formation observed for a second time.	25X1
					torpedo boats?		Soviet	,	The unit headed toward the Soviet coast in loosened order. A red light which was neither entered in the nautical chart nor in the list of lights was seen at the coast. After the light flashed up a second time, the unit approached the light in closed formation line ahead. The light flashed up to 3 times for 30 seconds, every 30 minutes. As the light was not seen prior to the appearance of the vessels, it appeared that the light was	
									a leading light for the approaching unit.	
	9 October	07 10	between Lavansaari and Nagayeva buoy		cruiser destroyer	Sveadlov Skoryy	west	12-15	- 31	
S-E-C	9 October	1200	opposite the mooring buoy, 2 sea miles wes of Leningrad light vessel on south side of channel	t	guard ship	?	moored t	-	Length about 25 to 30 meters, open bridge with short mast; small gun with shield on quarterdeck.	
	9 October	1245	between Leningrad light vessel and Kronshtadt		sailing o	?	west	?	Mooden vessel, painted grey; the sails under tarpsulins; engine-driven.	25X1
	9 October	1250	west of Kronshtadt		sailing cutter	?	west	?		25 X 1
	9 October	1310	south side of channel opposite Kronshtadt		minesweeper	?	?	?	Length about 60 to 65 meters; sheer line forward; gun with shield on foc'sle; bridge with pittions for twin-barreled Ad guns; that of bridge sloping; tripod met at tracking even of bridge; slipitly inclined tracking even of bridge; slipitly inclined tracking even of bridge; slipitly inclined to the shield even of the superfer of the short pole mast; the platform of the island mounted two four-barreled Ad guns; a small gun, covered by tarpaulins, was on the quarterdeck.	25X1
	9 October	1315	immediately after passing Kronshtadt toward leningrad	Approved For Relea	speedboat	?:	^ ilterns		Length about 25 meters; inclined stem; a twin-barreled AA gum with the barrels mounted upon each other on the for ele; open bridge with mall mast; each I torpied the on a lattice structure on larboard side and stapboard side; another twin-barreled AA gun on 7 he quarterdeek.	·

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	9 October	1330	between Kronshtadt and Leningrad	sulmarine chaser	ERONSHTADT	west	?	-
	11 October	1015	off Leningrad light wessel	cruiser	SVERDLOV	moored t	ю	
	14 October	1400	between Leningrad and Kronshtadt	naval tug	-	west	7	Towed loaded lighter.
•	14 October	1420	between Leningrad and Kronshtadt	naval vessel	?	east	7	Length about 20 meters; slightly inclined stern; flush deck; small open bridge with pole mast & yard; on the quarterdeck a com- panion-way; square stern; no armament.
G	14 October	1445	between Leningrad and Kronshtadt	naval vessel	7	west	7	Same type
	14 October	1448	between Leningrad and Kronahtadt	landing craft	SIEBEL ferry	east	?	Vessel was unloaded,
	14 October	1520	between Leningrad and Kronshtadt	auxiliary vessel	KUR▲	7	?	Four logs as deck load on hatchway.
	14 October	1600	abeem of Kronshtadt	destroyer	type of the new destroy- er	moored to buoy		-
	14 October	1630	between Kronshtadt and Leningrad light vessel	cruiser	SVERDLOV	moored to buoy		-
	16 October	07 00	3-4 sea miles south of Soum of Salarid	submarine chaser	KRONSHTADT	east	?	Another boat of the KRONSHTADT Class was seen directly off the eastern coast of Sommeri Island.

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-4-04-1-1-1 -4-25X1 Class Type Course Speed Remarks Time Position Date 25X1 The vessel appeared to have come directly from the shipyard; it had a new coat of paint, also below the water line; it was seen from a distance of 600 meters. 16 October 0915 Gulf of Finland destroyer 20-25 same type 25X1 25X1 abeam of Sommeri Island submarine KRONSHTADT 7 17 October 1420 chaser

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